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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE-WIDE
AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Public Safety may, within available appropriations, establish a state-
3 wide auto theft task force to address effective cooperative enforcement
4 of the laws of this state concerning the theft of motor vehicles.

5 (b) The task force shall be comprised of municipal and state law
6 enforcement officers selected by the Commissioner of Public Safety to
7 serve temporarily as special state policemen to carry out the duties of
8 the task force as the commissioner deems necessary.

9 (c) The task force may request, and may receive, from any federal,
10 state or local agency, cooperation and assistance in the performance of
11 its duties, including the temporary assignment of personnel which
12 may be necessary to carry out the performance of its functions.

13 (d) Each municipality shall be responsible for the full payment of
14 the compensation of any of its personnel temporarily assigned to the

15 task force while such personnel are on duty with the task force. For
 16 purposes of indemnification of such personnel or of the municipality
 17 employing such personnel, while such personnel are performing the
 18 duties of the task force, such personnel shall be deemed to be "state
 19 officers or employees" within the meaning of section 5-141d of the
 20 general statutes.

21 (e) The Commissioner of Public Safety may authorize the task force
 22 to enter into mutual assistance and cooperation agreements with other
 23 states pertaining to motor vehicle theft law enforcement matters
 24 extending across state boundaries, and may consult and exchange
 25 information and personnel with agencies of other states with reference
 26 to motor vehicle theft-related law enforcement problems of mutual
 27 concern.

28 (f) The Commissioner of Public Safety may, within available
 29 appropriations, appoint a commanding officer and such other
 30 personnel as the commissioner deems necessary for the duties of the
 31 task force.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a state-wide auto theft task force and indemnify any municipal employees serving on such task force.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]